



Wednesday Morning, Nov 10, 1869.

## The Water Question.

It would be a grave error, it might be a fatal one, to permit the public mind to be diverted from the important subject of a water supply for this community by the present rain-fall. Without any desire to borrow trouble or anticipate results, it would surely be the height of thoughtless imprudence to forget that the rainy season is usually followed by the dry season, as surely as winter is succeeded by summer, and that the same conditions which occasioned so much concern before the present rains set in, are certain to be repeated another year, possibly in an intensified form. Such want of forethought would only be excused by the folly of postponing action until further drought cuts off the present meager supply. It should be borne in mind that the work of providing an unfailing supply of wholesome water is one that must involve a large outlay, as well as considerable time; and although quite aware that the subject of water supply is one less likely to command general interest at a time when the waters of heaven are open and the aqueous element is being poured down in great abundance, filling every tank, pond, and streamlet, than it would have been a fortnight ago, when many a family became the subject of anxious solicitude as to where the next cupfull of water was to come from, yet we venture to urge this same question of a water supply upon public attention now. It is no secret that the fountain whence the supply is drawn has been gradually failing year by year; and it is scarcely to be doubted that it will continue to diminish, so that the year 1870 will be even more scant next year than it has been during the present. Now, surely it will only be necessary to direct the public mind to the prospect thus presented, in order to secure for the subject that earnest thought and practical care which is

so much wanted by Canadian authorities; and there is every reason to fear that unless their influence is neutralized it will enter into the negotiations for union, and leave its fatal impress upon that union. We need only refer to Lord Granville's dispatch, so recently published and so variously commented upon, in support of this view. If those changes, to which allusion has been made, had not been noticed by the Imperial authorities, would the Colonial Minister have penned the fifth section of the dispatch, in which the absence of unanimity on the part of the colonists is alluded to? If the Legislature had not proved recreant, and Victoria had not proved recreant too, would the idea be entertained of putting the colonists off without a representative form of government, as is now intended, and as will undoubtedly be done, unless a timely and strong protest is entered? We have ever claimed for the friends of Confederation that they have made fair and equitable terms a *sine qua non*; and if we have appeared to attach less importance to the action taken in the past than our correspondent does, it is because we conceive it might be most fatal to rely upon that action now. Great changes have recently taken place. All have at last become convinced that union is inevitable; and surely all will unite in obtaining the most favorable terms. Under these altered circumstances all party lines and party differences should assuredly be forgotten in the common and vigorous effort for the good of all. This is no time for Separationists to rest upon their oars, and say to those who have hitherto been arrayed against them, 'We have done our duty.' It now remains for you to do yours.' While they might be entitled to assume this attitude, surely common interest requires a different course. If the community has been weakened by division in the past, the present position of the great questions appears to be singularly propitious for united effort. Let there be a coming together now. Let 'by gones be by gones,' and let the people of Victoria, of the whole Colony, present a united front in demanding conditions which will render the change which all are at last brought to regard as inevitable, beneficial to the Colony. The people have it in their power to do now. It may be a long time before these months hence, but their ready

The Charter Church Believers.

Victoria, Nov 8, 1869.

—Allow me to tender my thanks for your liberality in aid of the Building for the restoration of Christ Church, which, lately destroyed by fire.

I had the pleasure of being present on the 8th, on Friday evening, with some members of my family, and I can truly say that the perfection of your performances, the gentlemanly feeling and good taste which pervaded them, and the utter absence of everything objectionable from beginning to end, made the exhibition of your astonishing powers one of real enjoyment—an enjoyment on my part enhanced by the reflection that you were exercising your powers for the benefit of persons to whom you were a perfect stranger.

I can only wish you success in your profession, and those higher benefits which God can bestow.

Hoping that I may have the pleasure of again bringing my family to pay you a visit, believe me, my dear sir,

Most sincerely yours,

E. CRIDGE.

Professor Money.

You will be pleased to know that the \$20

prize which, by a singular chance, fell to my son, has been presented by him to swell the proceeds of the benefit.

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THE BANKER AND HIS PALACE.—LeGrand Lockwood, the wealthy New York banker, 'went under' during the recent Wall-street hurricane. During these five years there has been in course of construction at Norwalk, the country seat of the Lockwoods, a palatial residence estimated to cost when completed, a million and a half. Upwards of \$800,000 has already been expended upon it, and the palace of the ruined banker stands little more than half-way towards completion. But the reader may suppose that Lockwood has lived and piled up wealth to no purpose. His charities have been both princely and widespread, and he has pensioned many a relative. The failure of this man has produced but one feeling of deep regret, in the circles where he moved, and numerous stories of the offers he has received of financial aid. His friends are said to have pointed upon him from far and near, with expressions of sympathy and 'flees of help.' One man, as he entered his office, was observed to slip him on the back saying, with tears in his eyes, 'LeGrand, my boy, I've come 200 miles to see you. I am worth a couple of hundred thousand dollars. Half of it is at your disposal.' A moneyed man of Wall-street will say, 'LeGrand Lockwood.' Telling him one million to pass through, the generous offer was respectfully declined. With the high character and numerous substantial friends that he possesses, it is thought LeGrand Lockwood will soon be again on the high road to fortune, as he deserves to be.

## New Advertisements.

## Prince of Wales' Birthday RACES.

IF THE RAIN CONTINUES THE RACES will be further postponed until Thursday the 11th inst. If the weather is fine the races will take place on the 10th.

W.S. SEBRIGHT GREEN, Hon. Sec. V. R. C. no10

## FOR PORTLAND.

THE NORTH PACIFIC TRANSPORTATION Co's steamer.

GEO. S. WRIGHT,  
Capt. N. L. ROGERS,  
will sail from Brockley's Wharf for the above port to-day (Wednesday) morning, Nov. 10th at 9 o'clock. For Freight or Passage apply to R. BRODRICK, Agent.

## WANTED.

A CHAMBERMAID AT ANGELA COLLEGE. Apply at the College.

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THE EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL

meeting of Shareholders of the abovementioned Company, called for THIS DAY has been adjourned until THURSDAY morning, the 11th at 10 o'clock p.m. H. GASTON, Secretary, no9

## BRIG COQUETTE.

NEITHER CAPTAIN MASSMORE NOR the underigned will be responsible for any debts contracted by the crew of the Brig Coquette S.P.R.C. & CO. Consignors, White street, Sun, Nov. 1869. no9

## NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE BRIG COQUETTE WILL commence to discharge at Dickson, Campbell & Co's Wharf, store street, on Wednesday, the 10th inst.

Goods left in the Brig after 5 p. m. of each day will be stored at the risk and expense of the Consignees.

Freight payable to the undesignated, by whom delivery orders will be issued.

S.P.R.C. & CO. no9

## NOTICE.

A MEETING ON THE ST ANDREW'S SOCIETY will be held on the evening of Thursday, 11th inst. at 8 o'clock, in Smith's Hall, Government street, for the election of officers for the ensuing year. A full attendance is particularly required. By order of JAMES BURNS, Secy. no9

## VICTORIA THEATRE.

## WEDNESDAY EVENING, NOVEMBER 9

## Something entirely NEW

## PROF. MOREY'S

## GRAND GIFT EXHIBITION

## 100 Gifts Each Night.

## A SILVER TEA SET

VALUED AT \$40 WILL BE THE LEADING GIFT.

Silverware of all kinds, Dry Goods, Greceries, &c.

## MAGIC AND VENTRILLOQUISM

Tickets 50 cents to all parts of the House

Dress Circle reserved for Ladies and Gentlemen accompanying them.

no5 Bills for Particulars

## Queen Charlotte Coal Mining Company Limited.

The Shareholders of the Directors have

for some time past been desirous of

them making a reduction in the

value of the shares.

After much consideration the

Directors turned out to be all human, as in

order, if you would be the time they must

be at another breakdown. Just before the wind-up

of our 10th month there is a

whole host of new men, and we lost

the old ones, which makes it necessary to know

where any of you old friends are now.

The Directors pride themselves on not

allowing you to have information, but we get to know

that there is nothing left; the works are all finished,

the Bank account considerably overdrawn, and there are

no more debts to be paid.

One great cause of our constant failure is our handing

over money to the Directors before they have given us com-

plete information to the works to be done and the out-

lay actually required. Recollect that the lists of our

works and the hours required for the execution of our

work are not given in the contracts.

My object in writing this is to endavor to get you to

see that you grant many more scores, or in any way con-

sent to raise more money for the works to be done and the

outlay actually required.

The Directors are not to be blamed for this necessary

neglect. Don't imagine there will be any less of time.

The neglect of this has been the chief cause of our com-

plaints, and the Directors are well outlay.

Excuse my encumbrance in pressing this up in your attention,

as it is vita to success.

The present attempt at opening the three feet and

six feet seam is being made a complete nullity; the ex-

pecting which will set us up any profit, as it has been on Hoppe-

ner's, and will be for a long time to come.

The unfortunate and hapless man that has suffered could

not have happened had my recommendation been

attended to, the culpable neglect of ventilation would

not have occurred.

What has been done.

A communication from "S."

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## COAL EXPORTS.

From Nanaimo, for the month ending Oct. 30, 1868.

| NAME                      | VESSEL      | MASTER  | TONS    | CO. DESTINATION  |
|---------------------------|-------------|---------|---------|------------------|
| 1. Star Discovery         | Wright      | John C. | 61 05.  | Victoria         |
| 2. Star Fly               | H. Clark    | John C. | 31 00.  | do               |
| 3. Star Black Diamond     | R. Bowden   | John C. | 161 00. | do               |
| 4. Star Deep Wright       | W. Rogers   | John C. | 101 10. | Port of Victoria |
| 5. Star Fly               | do          | John C. | 45 00.  | Owes Bay         |
| 6. Star Oliver            | Lewis       | John C. | 45 00.  | do               |
| 7. Star Grappler          | McDonald    | John C. | 130 00. | Victoria         |
| 8. Star King              | Harris      | John C. | 140 00. | do               |
| 9. Star King              | do          | John C. | 91 10.  | Owes Bay         |
| 10. Star Sir Jas. Douglas | Clarke      | John C. | 26 10.  | do               |
| 11. Star Black Diamond    | Rudman      | John C. | 166 10. | Victoria         |
| 12. Star Fly              | Henry Drury | John C. | 95 00.  | do               |
| 13. Star Queen Victoria   | Wright      | John C. | 21 00.  | Port of Victoria |
| 14. Star Queen Victoria   | Wright      | John C. | 28 10.  | Victoria         |
| 15. Star Fly              | John Bowden | John C. | 14 00.  | do               |
| 16. Star Fly              | McIntosh    | John C. | 31 10.  | Victoria         |
| 17. Ship Shooting Star    | Austin      | John C. | 100 00. | Port of Victoria |
| 18. Star Royal            | Wattershank | John C. | 5 10.   | Victoria         |
| 19. Star Black Diamond    | Rudman      | John C. | 98 00.  | Portland         |
| 20. Star Geo. Wright      | Wright      | John C. | 38 00.  | Owes Bay         |
| 21. Star Sir Jas. Douglas | Clarke      | John C. | 10 10.  | do               |
| 22. Star Emily Harris     | McIntosh    | John C. | 31 10.  | Victoria         |
| 23. Star Constantine      | Brinkley    | John C. | 151 00. | do               |
| 24. Star Emma             | Etheridge   | John C. | 29 10.  | do               |
| 25. Star Oliver           | Lewis       | John C. | 61 10.  | Victoria         |
| 26. Star Black Diamond    | Rudman      | John C. | 104 00. | do               |
| Total                     |             |         | 2,750   | 00               |

## PASSENGERS.

For Sir ELIZA ANDERSON, from Puget Sound.—J. Morgan, J. E. Levitt, Sinclair, J. M. Price, Edwards, Carl Jelat, Swarts, S. Evans, Vane, Mrs. Gilbert, Ramsey, Prichard, J. G. Green, Eva Chapman, John J. Hayes, Mrs. Hayes, Mrs. and Miss, Mrs. Moore, Miss F. Tucker, Coates, McRae, and 22 others.

## Auction Sales To-day.

LUMLEY FRANKLIN—Yates street—Will sell

at saleroom, at 12 o'clock noon, the Rampart Farm,

at Mud Bay, opposite New Westminster; also, other

Desirable Property.

For interesting Reading Matter see First Page

The Election.

Drizzle! drop! pour! slop! all day long, not a dry place anywhere. More miserable, soaking weather could not well be imagined.

Little pools of water here, there and everywhere; rivulets of water trickling down the backs of electors, little pearls droplets pebbles from the ribbons of umbrellas, or coursing their way down the honest faces of Municipal Electors whom duty called away from home on such a soggy, muggy, foggy day as yesterday. The rain commenced early, before the sun rose. Indeed it's a question if the sun got up at all yesterday, no person in this latitude having caught a glimpse of his cheerful countenance.

Voting commenced like the rain, early, and it had the good sense to stop early too, which the rain had not, but continued to fall long after the curtains of night had been drawn and pinned down at the edge. Who ever saw a 9 o'clock of November that rain didn't fall on? and what elector ever passed his vote to the polls through seas of liquid mud without indulging in the ploughs which the Prince of Wales had been born on some other day of the year or that the next Municipal Amendment Bill would provide for holding the election at a season when rain need not be counted on as a 'dead' certainty?

There was very little enthusiasm shown by either side,—muddy water living oce's feet and a small cataract falling from one's hairline between one's skin and tunic garments being conducive to something widely different from enthusiasm. A few jokes, 'sickly ones'—were attempted by bawlers on, who smiled feebly at their own wit and laughed too. The electors generally voted in grim silence, heaved a deep sigh as if they had saved the country and hurried off home again.

The polls closed at 4 p.m., and the returning officers returned to the City Hall to cast the votes. Shortly after 5 o'clock, the Town Clerk announced the results as follows:

For MAYOR.

Trimble..... 236 | Macdonald..... 167

Majority for Trimble..... 69

For COUNCILMEN.

Yates Street Ward..... 1000

Allsop..... 55 | Walker..... 102.50

Lester..... 29

McKay..... 63 | Carey..... 53

Johnson Street Ward..... 42

Gardiner..... 138 | Russell..... 122

Hastings..... 90

Total for Mayor..... 207 for

Trimble, and 108 for Macdonald.—Showing

an increase of 88 in the total number of votes cast.

The vote for Mayor bogged entirely

on the cow question; but strange to say,

the anti-cow party had only two candidates

for the Council, both of whom headed the

poll in their respective wards. The cow-

party elected a Councilman in James Bay

and another in Yates street because there

were no anti-cow in Johnson street ward

Messrs. Garrow and Russell were opposed by

one of their own party and walked over

the field. The cow party, therefore, through

the octopus negligence of the Anti's have

secured two-thirds of the Council and may

pass pretty much anything they like.

A few disgruntled voters, with the

candidacy, remained around the polls till the

gloves and cheered the successful and unsuc-

cessful gentlemen, listened to a few remarks

from both and then disappeared somewhere

for the streets were soon vacant and de-

serted as a churchyard,

From SITKA, ETC.—The steamer Geo.

S. Wright returned yesterday afternoon at 2

o'clock, bringing Lieut. T. T. Thurnburgh,

U. S. A., and Lieut. Geo. B. Bassett, of the

U. S. Revenue Service, lately attached to

the outer Lighthouses. Lieut. Thurnburgh and

Hans Hallied from Sitka on the 25th ult.

is the U. S. S. Newbern, Capt. Freeman,

touching at Fort Wrangell and Tongass, and

arrived at Nanaimo on Monday. Among

her passengers are Mr. Dodge, ex-Mayor of

Sitka, Mr. Bingham, Vincent Collier, U. S.

Indian Agent for Alaska, Rev. Raynor, wife

and family, Gen. Geo. J. Rice, Paymaster

U. S. A., Mr. Sunday and wife, and some 20

others. The Newbern met the Conestoga

on last Sunday week, nearing Fort Wrangell,

and the "Outer on Sunday morning last,

heading for Cortez Island. Sitka is improv-

ing rapidly. Gold has been discovered by

soldiers on the bars of a stream making into

Cook's Inlet. The gold is ready and the dig-

gings supposed to be extensive.

THE LANGFORD LAKE MYSTERY.—Patr.

Fowler, until lately proprietor of the

stream, was elected to the

Bowden yesterday, and

been concurred in by the

Langford

not asked for Confederation—that they have not agreed upon terms. It follows that when terms are put forth by the Government, those terms ought to be put before the people for their assent or dissent, and before that a general election ought to take place to learn the opinion of the people; and when Lord Granville states, that from the tenor of the dispatches he has received, (he does not say from whom) he should conjecture that the prevailing opinion was in favor of union, he must mean dispatches from the Canadian Government, because none to that effect ever went from the Government of this Colony. It follows, therefore, that the Yale conspiracy still goes on, and that the Canadian Government is an accomplice. It remains for the people to say whether they will be victims of this conspiracy or not.

1. S. H.

## "Vox Populi" on Confederation.

Editor B.C. Colonist:—In your issue of yesterday a letter appears under the heading of "Vox Populi," referring to a meeting at the theatre, held on 29th January, 1868, as unanswerably proving that the majority of the people of the city of Victoria were in favor of Confederation. If this was the case, how was it that Dr. Helmcken and Mr. Drake were returned to the Legislative Council in November, 1868, upon distinctly anti-Confederation principles? How was it that the largest and most influential community spoke decidedly against Confederation? Packed meetings are easily understood; and we know the number the *Times* was in favor of Confederation. Your correspondent ignores the result of the poll on this very question. Let me, sir, refresh your recollection with the result of that day's vote: Helmcken, 693, DeCosmos, 451; Drake, 623; Powell, 415. The vote for Helmcken was against Confederation or more than the whole vote cast for the rest of British Columbia; so let us hear no more of the "Vox Populi" being decidedly in favor of Confederation; and I trust that your readers will not be led away with such specious reasoning as that contained in your correspondent's letter, but let them remember the fact that the four popular members for Vancouver Island were returned on anti-Confederation principles.

TELL'S COFFEE has become the favorite Colonial beverage, and is to be found on every breakfast table from Victoria to the foot of the Rocky Mountains.

The LACES.—It will be observed that the Prince of Wales Birthday races will come off to-day provided the weather be fine, otherwise they will be postponed till Thursday. At the request of His Worship the Mayor we suggest to the public the propriety of taking a half-holiday when the races do take place.

A CAVE.—The entire sidewalk in front of the excavation for the French Hotel caved yesterday morning, carrying with it several tons of earth and burying a part of the stone foundation.

The steamer Enterprise sailed yesterday morning for New Westminster, carrying a few passengers, among whom were Hon. A. F. Bushby and D. C. Maunsel, Esq.

The steamer Wilson G. Hunt arrived at noon yesterday, and sailed again for Port

Sound at 2 o'clock in the afternoon.

The late gunboat Forward reached San

Francisco from Victoria on the 31st ult.

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